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Re: MM Docket No. 96-171

Dear Mr. Caton:

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On behalf of New West Broadcasting Systems, Inc., there is transmitted herewith and filed an original and four copies of its "Support of Counterproposal and Comments to Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Orders to Show Cause".

Should there be any questions concerning the enclosure, kindly communicate directly with the undersigned counsel.

Very truly yours,

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In the Matter of)		Fede	al Communications Commission Office of Secretary
Amendment of Section 73.202(b))	MM Docket	No.	96-171
Table of Allotments)	RM-8846		
FM Broadcast Stations)			
(Indian Springs, Nevada; Mountain Pass,)			
California; Kingman, Arizona; and)			
St. George, Utah))			

TO: Chief, Allocations Branch
Mass Media Bureau

SUPPORT OF COUNTERPROPOSAL AND COMMENTS TO NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING AND ORDERS TO SHOW CAUSE

New West Broadcasting Systems, Inc. ("New West"), licensee of station KGMN(FM) at Kingman, Arizona, by its attorneys and pursuant to Section 1.87 of the Commission's rules, hereby responds to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Orders to Show Cause, DA 96-171, released August 16, 1996 which, inter alia, proposed the modification of the KGMN(FM) license to specify operation on Channel 261C2, rather than on existing channel 260C2.

New West opposes the modification of its license to operate on a new channel and hereby incorporates by reference the technical showing submitted on behalf of KHWY, L.P. ("KHWY"), licensee of Station KHYZ(FM) at Mountain Pass, California. As shown in the KHWY Comments, Counterproposal and Response to Order

to Show Cause, the Commission's proposal to provide service to the area surrounding Indian Springs, Nevada can be achieved by the allotment of either Channel 272C or Channel 276C, rather than Channel 257C to that community. It is only the latter allotment which would require the substitution of Channel 261C2 at Kingman. The counterproposal supported by KHWY's technical showing would still result in significant white area coverage from station KPXC(FM) at Indian Springs without the attendant burden of channel changes at Kingman and other communities.

In light of the foregoing, the Commission should adopt the technical solution counterproposed by KHWY, and in so doing, preclude the modification of the KGMN(FM) license.

Respectfully submitted,

NEW WEST BROADCASTING SYSTEMS, INC.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Toni R. Daluge, a secretary in the law firm of Kaye,
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